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Ms. Felicia Marcus
Regional Administrator
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Region IX
75 Hawthorne Street
San Francisco, California 94105

Dear Administrator Marcus:

Thank you for your letter of May 11, 1998, concerning the environmental issues associated with perchlorate and the Interagency Perchlorate Steering Committee stakeholder forum held in Nevada to address these issues. The Air Force, as co-chair for the committee, is our lead on perchlorate environmental issues. The Air Force will coordinate the development of a comprehensive perchlorate inventory over the next few months as requested by Headquarters Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Water. My office will monitor this effort and the potential concerns for DoD.

If you have any questions, please call me or my staff assistant Mr. Vic Wieszek, available at (703) 697-9789.

Very truly yours,

Sherri W. Goodman

Deputy Under Secretary of Defense

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